Medicaid Income Limits for 2006

To qualify for Medicaid through SSI the income limit for an aged, blind or disabled individual cannot exceed \$623 per month or \$924 for a couple. In addition, resource limits apply. For an individual the resources cannot exceed \$2,000 per month or \$3,000 for a couple. Some examples of resources are: cash, money in checking and savings accounts, loans, promissory notes, stocks, bonds, time deposits (certificates of deposit, annuities, etc), mutual funds, mineral and timber rights, real estate, etc. [Individuals must apply with the Social Security Administration for the SSI (Supplemental Security Income) Program.]

Nursing Home (Institutionalized) Medicaid:

The Medicaid income limit for individuals eligibile for the Nursing Home (institutional) program is \$1,809 per month. The resource limit is \$2,000. Please see the "Medicaid for the Elderly and Disabled" handout for detailed information.

Home and Community Based Waivers:

The income limits for these waivers are as follows: Elderly and Disabled Waiver is \$623 per month. Independent Living Waiver is \$1,809 per month. Mentally Retarded Waiver is \$1,809 per month. HIV/AIDS Waiver is \$1,809 per month. Technology Assisted Waiver is \$1,809 per month.

The <u>resource limit</u> for these waivers is \$2,000 per month.

QMB or Qualified Medicare Beneficiary:

Income cannot exceed \$837 per month for an individual Income cannot exceed \$1,120 per month for a couple

SLMB or Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary:

Income cannot exceed \$1,000 per month for an individual Income cannot exceed \$1,340 per month for a couple

NOTE: The resource limits do not apply for these programs. If the person applying is married, use the couple income limit.

SOBRA Medicaid (Pregnant Women and Children under 6 years of age) - 133% of federal poverty level:

Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$1,087 per month for a family of 1 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$1,463 per month for a family of 2 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$1,840 per month for a family of 3 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$2,217 per month for a family of 4

SOBRA Medicaid (Children 6 to 19 years of age) – 100% of federal poverty level:

Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$817 per month for a family of 1 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$1,100 per month for a family of 2 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$1,384 per month for a family of 3 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$1,667 per month for a family of 4

Medicaid for Low Income Families:

Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$111 per month for a family of 1 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$137 per month for a family of 2 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$164 per month for a family of 3 Income after deductions* cannot exceed \$194 per month for a family of 4

*Certain deductions, such as \$90 work deduction per wage earner, dependent care costs and \$50 per household for child support received, may be deducted from the gross income to determine the net income amount for the SOBRA and MLIF programs.

NOTE: Please see the eligibility requirements for <u>SOBRA/MLIF (Medicaid for Low Income Families)</u> for family sizes over 4.

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